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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT/SUBMISS.

Supplemental to the response dated February 10, 2003 please further amend the follows. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. application as follows. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

#### FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows: If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

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If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

## **AMENDMENTS**

- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  If checked, amendment(s) to the specification and/or claims are submitted herewith.
- 1. If checked, an abstract is submitted as the last page of Appendix A.

### 2. Claims:

Please amend claim 9 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(i) as set forth in the "clean" version attached hereto as Appendix A. Entry is respectfully requested. A version with markings to show the changes made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(ii) is attached hereto as Appendix B.

If checked, the optional complete set of "clean" claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(3) is attached hereto as Appendix C.